

Log- Meeting with CSMA

Date: July 15, 1999

Place: Commission Headquarters

Subject: "Right to Know" Legislation

CPSC Participants: Pamela Gilbert, Ronald Medford, and Marilyn Wind

CSMA Participants: Phil Klein, Bill Lafield, Erinie Bernarducci, Earle Borman, and Nancy Bryson

CSMA requested this meeting to discuss the needs of the Commission and staff in determining the chemical composition of consumer products. In response to a request for comments on a bill before Congress at that time, Pamela Gilbert wrote a letter to Congressman Waxman on May 15, 1997, which stated, "The agency has no easy way of determining the chemical composition of household products." The CSMA wanted to better understand the needs of the Commission in this area and offered to help gather the types of information the Commission needs.

Pamela Gilbert explained that it would be helpful to the Commission to know the chemical composition of household products so Commission staff could screen products for emerging hazards. She explained that since we don't know what is in particular products we don't know the appropriate questions to ask.

The representatives of the CSMA indicated a willingness to further explore how to proceed.

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